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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

C.S.6, Special Branch

REPORT

File No. ARCHIVES OF THE SHANGHAI POLICE S. D. REGISTRY 7516

S.B.D. 7516

Date Aug. 18-28 1936

Subject Reference the attached letter dated 13.8.36 from Mrs. Cooke, 427 Yu Yuen Road, on the subject of P.J. Melcer.

Made by and *Forwarded by* D.S.I. Golder.

Relative to the above matter I have to state as follows :-

Mrs. Cooke is a British subject or at least she claims such status in which case her only redress at law is to sue P.J. Melcer by civil process.

As to the property remaining in her possession and which was detained by her predecessor, boarding house keepers have no legal right under British law to detain anything which is the property of a boarder in lieu of debt. Boarding house keepers have the right to refuse shelter or accommodation to anyone or to enter an agreement as to charges with each individual and in view of this are denied the power to detain property allowed the ordinary inn keeper.

P.A. Crime.
Sir. Mrs. Cooke informed as Above
Protocol D.S.I.
26/8/36

DSR 28/8

P.A. to D.C. (CRIME)

D. S. I.

D.C. (Crime & Special Branches).

A.C. DC Crime
DSR 1/9

ALSA LODGE

427 YU YUEN ROAD
TEL. 22091
SHANGHAI.

Mrs Cooke has just taken over the management of the above address, & she would like to draw the attention of the Police to one P. J. Helen, employed by the Crown Life Ins: Co. at 113 Hankiang Rd- This man stayed at "Alsa Lodge" from ~~Sept~~ Oct 2nd /35 - till Oct 12th - 39 days - when he tried to get away with his luggage, without paying his bill - He owes $120=, & Mrs Cooke holds a page, & four trunks of his, & does not quite know what to do in the matter - she has written repeated requests for a settlement of this a/c, which have been ignored - Therefore she is reporting the man to the Police, as he appears to be a very undesirable character -

Mrs Cooke would appreciate it very much if the Police will take this matter up.

August 13th /36.

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER (CRIME BRANCH) 15 OCT

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE

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